Supreme Court's Guidelines on Discretionary Allotments

1153. SHRI GHUFRAN AZAM: Will the Minister of PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Supreme Court in a recent judgement has given guidelines including procedure for the discretionary allotment of SKO/LDO/RO/LPG dealership;

(b) if so, whether these guidelines have been followed in all discretionary allotments of such dealership;

(c) whether applications for discretionary allotments are still being submitted to the Office of the Minister as was being done prior to the judgement or are to the IOC Section; and

(d) if so, the reasons therefor and the nemes and addresses of such allottees who have been granted dealership in violation of the guidelines issued by the Supreme Court?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS (CAPT. SATISH SHARMA): (a) Yes Sir.

(b) Yes, Sir.

(c) and (d) Discretionary allotments of dealerships/distributorships of petroleum products are being made by the Government in accordance with the guidelines given by the Hon'ble Supreme Court through their Order dated March 31, 1995, after considering the applications being received in the Ministry.

Electrification of Rail Routes in Madhya Pradesh

1154. SHRI SURESH PACHOURI: Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government have any plans for electrification of rail routes in the State of Madhya Pradesh during 1995-96; and

(b) if so, what are the sections to be covered and the targeted dates of their completion?

THE MINISTER OF RAILWAYS (SHRI C.K. JAFFER SHARIEF): (a) No. Sir.

(d) Does not arise.

Suggestions for reduction in congestion on the platforms

1155. SHRI K.M. KHAN: Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether suggestions have been invited from passenger associations, individual passengers to reduce the congestion on the platforms to facilitate movement on the platforms of Suburban Railway Stations of Bombay, Calcutta, Madras and Delhi;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether in order to reduce the congestion on Suburban Railway Stations Government propose to restrict new tea/ fruit stalls at such stations;

(d) whether Government propose to invite suggestions on availability of Train Ticket Examiners before each reserved coach at least one hour before the scheduled departure of trains at Railway Stations to reduce congestion of waitlisted passengers before each reserved coach; and

(e) if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF RAILWAYS (SHRI C.K. JAFFER SHARIEF): (a) to (c) A Sub-Committee of Consultative Committee of Members of Parliament for the Ministry of Railways has been set up to examine the issue of congestion on the Suburban Railway Stations of Bombay, Calcutta, Madras and Delhi and the